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### **Fundraising Event Will Help Raise Funds to Build an Outdoor Amphitheater in Temple**

(Temple) – On Friday, July 13, the Temple Parks Foundation is hosting Texas Dance Hall Concert & Barbecue. All proceeds support the development of an outdoor amphitheater at Lion's Park in Temple.

"Temple does not have an outdoor amphitheater. We want our parks to welcome all types of outdoor activities including the performing arts and the location in Lion's Park will be a perfect fit for this venue," said Allan Einboden, Temple Parks Foundation President.

The fundraising event will be held at the Santa Fe Depot from 7-11pm on July 13. Enjoy a great evening of Clem Mikeska's Barbecue and live music performances by Brian Gowan, Richard Paul Thomas, and Billy Holt Band.

BBQ dinner and concert tickets cost \$25. Concert only tickets cost \$10 and corporate tables are still available for \$300 for eight seats per table. To order tickets, please call 254.298.5690.

"We are excited to hold this outdoor concert to highlight the value of having a venue for performance in our parks," said Einboden. "We estimate the amphitheater will cost \$70,000 to construct and so far we have raised \$40,000 through fundraisers and donations."

"The Temple Parks Foundation has provided many great things for our community, including, the Whistlestop Playground, Movies in the Park events, Art in the Park, the Pool of Tears Veterans Memorial, and much more. We are excited about this next project to construct an outdoor amphitheater," said Ken Cicora, Temple Parks and Leisure Services Director. "This will be a great addition to our parks system and a unique venue for all types of events from concerts and recitals to plays and performances."

The Temple Parks Foundation is a non-profit organization that provides support to parks and recreation facilities and programs. Their mission is to increase awareness, quality, and usability of

parks and green space by expanding the resources made available to our city parks to enhance community health and cohesiveness. The Foundation is working to make Temple, the most livable, beautifully connected community in Texas.

For more information or to order tickets, please call 254.298.5690 or 254.773.9926.

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